

OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER

DATE: FRIDAY, MARCH 2, 2012
TO: MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
FROM: SCOTT H. NEAL, CITY MANAGER
RE: FRIDAY REPORT FOR MARCH 2, 2012

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- 1. City Work Plan Development** – Assistant City Manager Karen Kurt has assembled information received from Council Members on prioritizing major City initiatives into a draft work plan document. Karen will lead a discussion with the Council at the March 6 work session on the draft work plan to make sure that we have the Council's support to formalize the plan.
- 2. Joint Meeting With Park Board** – The Council's joint meeting with the Park Board is planned for 5 p.m. March 20 in the Council Chambers. The meeting will consist of discussion among the Board and Council Members on two large issues: the Edinborough Park Study and the proposed sports dome. Because we are meeting in the Council Chambers, it would be a good idea to wrap up this joint meeting at 6:30 p.m. in order to prepare the room for the Council Meeting.
- 3. Redistricting** – City Clerk Deb Mangen will lead the work session discussion next week about the impacts of the placement of the proposed boundary line between House Districts 49A and 49B. The proposed location of the line bisects the buildings at 7220 and 7200 France Avenue. Deb will review the City's options to resolve the issue and seek the Council's approval to proceed with getting a corrected line in place before this fall's election.
- 4. do.town Update - do.town** is gearing up for our first volunteer opportunity – painting interactive chalkboard displays. This is one way we're going to spark public conversation about creating a healthier community. The boards you help paint will be displayed throughout your community in places like City Hall, where people can write comments and responses to the question "What does a healthier Edina look like?" We are looking for up to 15 volunteers to work 6 to 9 p.m. Wednesday, March 7 and Friday, March 9 at the Centennial lakes Park maintenance garage. Register online at www.do-town.org.
- 5. SMPSTF** – From 3 to 4 p.m. Tuesday, March 6, there will be a demonstration of the new sixth-floor burner technology at the South Metro Public Safety Training Facility. The new burner produces a more intense heat and faster fire and covers a significantly larger burn area. The new burner is the only one at that height in the Midwest, and only the second in the United States.
- 6. Employee News** – Lead Dispatcher Tony Martin and Civilian Services Manager Laurene Draper were selected to receive the Association of Public-Safety Communications Officer's (APCO) "Make A Difference Award." The APCO Award recognizes excellence in public safety communications centers. The award will be presented on Wednesday, March 14 at the State 9-1-1 Conference banquet in Alexandria. Tony and Laurene were nominated by Golden Valley Police Chief Stacy Golden for the exceptional service the center provided during the officer involved shooting on I-394 last year. This is the

second consecutive year that Edina's 9-1-1 Center has received this award.

7. **Liquor Ordinance Meeting** – City Clerk Deb Mangen, Police Chief Jeff Long, Chemical Health Coordinator Kathy Iverson and I have reached a consensus on a proposed amendment to the City's liquor ordinance which would reduce the City's regulation of drink prices at licensed establishments. I have provided the proposal to Dan McElroy of the Minnesota Restaurant Association to seek his input. We are working on a timeline to move this recommendation on to the Council for the March 20 Council meeting.